

MEMORANDUM

Office of Charlie Lawson, Chief of Police



To: Charlie Lawson, City Manager
From: Thomas Nishisaka, Chief of Police *TNW*
Subject: Citizen Options for Public Safety (COPS FY 2005)
Date: January 3, 2005

ISSUE:

How shall the Milpitas Police Department spend state grant funds (Fiscal Year 2005) allotted by Citizen Options for Public Safety?

BACKGROUND:

The City of Milpitas received COPS funds from the state pursuant to Government Code 30061, in the amount of \$100,000. These funds must be used to support front line law enforcement services and must supplement and not supplant existing funding for front line law enforcement services. No city matching funds are required.

These funds shall be appropriated pursuant to written request from the Chief of Police of the law enforcement agency that provides police services for that city. The request shall specify the front line law enforcement needs of the requesting entity including the personnel, equipment and programs that are necessary to meet those needs.

After convening a public hearing before the city council, the funding will be evaluated by the Supplemental Law Enforcement Oversight Committee (SLEOC) as required by law.

We are recommending that the funds be used to finance the following:

• TouchPrint LiveScan for Applicants	\$27,900
• Child ID Fingerprinting Systems	\$9,200
• Identicard System	\$13,080
• Moving/stationary radars	\$7,200
• Chemical agents for response to critical incidents	\$7,000
• Lights for AR-15 rifles	\$5,180
• Toughbook laptops	\$10,440
• <u>Tactical vests</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total: \$100,00	

DISCUSSION:

Estimated costs for equipment as outlined below include tax and shipping:

TouchPrint LiveScan. Since 1999 the Police Department has provided fingerprinting service to applicants for licensing purposes, including volunteers for the Milpitas Unified School District, and coaches and volunteers for PAL, Little League, and other local youth sports organizations. The current LiveScan system is aging and out of production, and the vendor is scheduled to discontinue maintenance support of it. The newer system, Identix TP3500XC LiveScan Station, has enhanced optics and imaging for more accurate capturing of prints, resulting in fewer rejections and time saved in processing applicants. The Identix TP3500XC LiveScan and associated fingerprint card printer, installation, training, and on-site support costs **\$27,900.**

Child ID Systems. Since 1998 the Police Department has used NEC Child ID fingerprint systems to provide fingerprint services to the public at special events and, significantly in recent years, at the Great Mall storefront staffed by Senior Volunteers. The two systems we currently use utilize outdated 1990s technology no longer supported by the vendor, NEC Solutions, and allows for only two fingerprints per child. The newer system allows for all ten fingerprints per child, runs faster, and service and maintenance is supported by NEC Solutions. Each system costs \$4,600 and includes a laptop computer, Child ID Software, finger imaging scanner, web camera, color printer, tripod, and hard case; cost for 2 systems is **\$9,200.**

Identicard System. The Police Department issues ID cards for all Police and Fire Department employees and volunteers. The current system uses Polaroid film that is later laminated in a laminate pouch, resulting in cards that are not very durable. Under the current system, changes to card styles requires action by the vendor, at a significant cost for every change made. The new system allows the Police Department to self-design cards without vendor input or cost, and utilizes a more durable (PVC material) card. The Department of Homeland Security has issued warnings that suspected terrorists have sought to obtain, alter and forge public safety ID cards for use in carrying out acts of terror; the cards issued by the new system come with a holographic security laminate, making unauthorized alterations or forgeries easily detectable. The Identicard system consists of an IVIS Plus 2000 Badging Station, Desktop PC w/monitor, Fargo DTC525L Dual Sided Printer, cards and materials totaling **\$13,080.**

Three Talon II Moving/Stationary Radars. The Talon II radars would replace current units that are over ten years old. The Talon II is a significant upgrade over the old radars, in that it can be used either as a hand-held stationary radar, or quickly mounted for the moving mode feature; the older radars can only be used in one mode. The Talon II has additional features, including a track-after-lock feature that allows the speed of the target vehicle to continue to be tracked even after the initial speed is locked in; an easier to read display panel in all lighting conditions; and advanced battery capacity which affords a longer shelf life and reduced memory charging problems. Cost per radar is \$2,400, so the cost for three is **\$7,200.**

Chemical Agents for Response to Critical Incidents. The deployment of chemical agents during high-risk, critical incidents is standard procedure to obtain a tactical advantage for subduing and arresting suspects engaged in barricaded/hostage situations; they are also used in large-scale crowd control situations. A 40mm multi-launcher (and associated gas rounds) for the SWAT team will allow deployment of gas rounds without compromising the use of the SAGE weapon (currently used to deploy gas rounds). The 40mm multi-launcher and associated rounds will afford better flexibility in gas deployment for controlling unruly or noncompliant crowd situations associated with various adverse wind conditions, its better accuracy reducing the potential of injury to those present at disturbances. Hand-deployed, outside-use grenades will increase the ability of the Tactical Team to handle disturbances where long-range deployment of gases is not suitable, thus reducing injury. 2 multi-launchers @ \$1,710 = \$3,420; 16 40mm liquid CS rounds @ \$15 = \$240; 40 40mm powder CS rounds @ \$20 = \$800; 17 40mm powder OC rounds @ \$20 = \$340. 50 hand-deployed (outside use) CS gas grenades @ \$26 = \$1,300; 30 hand-deployed (outside use) CN gas grenades @ \$30 = \$900. **\$7,000.**

Lights for AR-15 Rifles. Gun lights on AR-15 rifles will enable officers to simultaneously aim and illuminate targets while maintaining full possession of the weapon. This will provide more visibility for target identification, increase target acquisition and improve accuracy. The possibility of striking unintended targets will also be reduced. Cost for Insight Technology M-5 Lights plus mounting kits for 37 rifles @ \$140 each is **\$5,180.**

Two Toughbook Laptops. Since 2000 the Police Department has used 2 Panasonic Toughbook Laptops as portable mobile computer terminals, allowing officers to access City and State databases while conducting DUI checkpoints and other operations, and by investigators in situations where access to a mobile terminal in unmarked cars is essential. The current laptops are too slow to effectively run today's applications, especially given the demands placed on processors by mapping. Further, they utilize integrated CDPD wireless communication, technology that has been discontinued by Verizon. The new ToughBook 29 laptops will greatly increase processor speeds, utilize 1xRTT wireless consistent with our new standard, and integrated Wi-Fi for connectivity to the highspeed wireless city network. The Panasonic ToughBook 29 w/combo drive costs \$5,220, so cost for two is **\$10,440.**

Tactical Vests. The SWAT team's tactical protective ballistic vests are 4-10 years old, with most of them exceeding or approaching the 5-year warranty. The new tactical vests have significant improvements over the existing vests, including an improved cut and fit, lighter and thinner materials, and enhanced ballistic protection (including a detachable ballistic collar, and ballistic groin and shoulder protection). Rapid Response FI Tac Vest with attachments cost \$2,500 each, total cost of 8 is **\$20,000.**

RECOMMENDATION:

Allocate 2005 COPS funds for the above program areas.

City of Milpitas, California

BUDGET CHANGE FORM

Type of Change	From		To	
	Account	Amount	Account	Amount
Check one:			261-7114873	\$40,980
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget Appropriation	261-3567	\$100,000	261-7144873	\$9,200
<input type="checkbox"/> Budget Transfer			261-7214223	\$8,760
			261-7214921	\$23,420
			261-7224874	\$10,440
			261-7224921	\$7,200

Explain the reason for the budget change:

The California State Legislature awarded \$100,000 to the City of Milpitas through the Citizen Options for Public Safety Grant (COPS). No city matching funds are required.

Government Code sections 30061-30065 specify that these funds must be used for front line law enforcement services and must supplement and not supplant existing funding for front line law enforcement services. These funds shall be appropriated pursuant to a written request from the Chief of Police of the law enforcement agency that provides police services for that city. The request shall indicate the front line law enforcement needs of the requesting entity including the personnel and equipment that are necessary to meet those needs.

The police staff is requesting that the designated funds be used to purchase:
TouchPrint Livescan system for fingerprinting volunteers and license applicants; two portable NEC Child ID kits to fingerprint children; IVIS 2000 Badging station to create durable, secure identification cards for Police and Fire Department personnel; three Talon II moving/stationary radars; chemical agents for critical incidents; lights for AR-15 rifles; two Toughbook laptop computers; and tactical vests.

Approve a budget appropriation of \$100,000 into the Police operating budget for equipment and supplies.

☒ Check if City Council Approval required.

Meeting Date: January 18, 2005

Itemization of funds, if needed:			Amount
Requested by:	Division Head: <i>D. John</i>	Date:	1-5-04
	Department Head: <i>Armando Norshorian</i>	Date:	1-5-04
Reviewed by:	Finance Director: <i>M. C. Kaul</i>	Date:	1/4/05
Approved by:	City Manager: <i>Phyllis</i>	Date:	1-6-05
Date approved by City Council, if required:			Confirmed by: